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SUBJECT: MIYAZAWA VISIT TO SEOUL

1. JAPANESE AMBASSADOR NISHIYAMA CONFIRMED TOKYO AND SEOUL PRESS REPORTS OF PROJECTED VISIT TO SEOUL BY FONMIN MIYAZAWA AFTER JULY 20. NISHIYAMA SAID THAT, WHILE FINAL DECISION ON DATES NOT FIRM, HE UNDERSTANDS VISIT HAS BEEN PROPOSED THROUGH KOREAN AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN. SUBJECT TO ROKG PREFERENCES, VISIT IS PLANNED DURING WEEK OF JULY 21, PRIOR TO MIKI VISIT TO U.S. VISIT WOULD BE BRIEF OVERNIGHT TRIP.

2. FONMIN KIM DONG JO CONFIRMED THAT PLANS UNDERWAY FOR MIYAZAWA VISIT. ROKG WOULD PREFER MINISTERIAL MEETING, BUT AT THIS STAGE WILL ACCEPT MIYAZAWA VISIT.

3. NISHIYAMA EXPLAINED MIYAZAWA VISIT ARRANGED LARGELY AS SOP TO ROKG SINCE PRIMIN MIKI REMAINS ADAMANTLY OPPOSED TO MINISTERIAL MEETING WITHOUT FURTHER ROKG CONSIDERATION ON KIM TAE CHUNG
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CASE. NISHIYAMA SAID THAT JAPANESE AND KOREANS

ARE NOW TRYING TO WORK OUT FORMULA ON KIM TAE CHUNG
CASE INVOLVING ROKG STATEMENT THAT KIM TAE CHUNG WOULD
BE AS FREE AS ANY OTHER KOREAN, TO TRAVEL, ETC., ONCE
HIS CURRENT COURT CASE IS COMPLETED. GOJ FONOFF HOPES
THAT SOME FORMULA ALONG THESE LINES WILL SATISFY MIKI.

4. NISHIYAMA ALSO REPORTED THAT NON-GOVERNMENTAL
EFFORTS TO IMPROVE ATMOSPHERE OF ROKG/GOJ RELATIONS
MAKING GREATER HEADWAY WITH LARGE JAPANESE PARLIAMENTARY
DELEGATION NOW SCHEDULED VISIT FOR NEXT WEEK,
FOLLOWING VISIT OF MAJOR BUSINESS GROUP. HE EXPECTS
LITTLE IMPROVEMENT IN ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIP, INCLUDING
INCREASED JAPANESE INVESTMENT, AID AND TRADE, UNTIL,
HOWEVER, JAPANESE ECONOMY RECOVERS FROM
PRESENT RECESSION. GOJ IS NOT TAKING ACTIVE ROLE
IN URGING JAPANESE ECONOMIC LEADERSHIP TO EXPAND
INVESTMENT AND TRADE AT PRESENT TIME.
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